

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant	:	Hirai, Mitsuharu
App. No	:	10/553,509
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For	:	METHOD OF DETECTING B3 ADRENALINE RECEPTOR MUTANT GENE AND NUCLEIC ACID PROBE AND KIT THEREFOR
Examiner	:	Wilder, Cynthia B
Art Unit	:	1637
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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of U.S. Application No. 10/553,509. In response to the Office Action mailed June 4, 2007, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to enter the following amendments and consider the following arguments.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Summary of Interview** begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.